

**COLUMBIA FALLS ALUMINUM COMPANY**

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CERTIFIED MAIL

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Attention: Corporate Secretary

Gentlemen:

Ref: 1) Acquisition Agreement Dated September 10,  
1985 Between Montana Aluminum Investors  
Corp. (MAIC) and Atlantic Richfield  
Company (ARCO); and

2) Our letter to you dated January 4, 1988

In accordance with the referenced Acquisition Agreement, we are providing ARCO the following notice concerning potential Superfund cleanup requirements at ARCO's former facility at Columbia Falls, Montana.

As you may recall, we sent documentation in January (referenced above) of an earlier visit by EPA personnel. EPA's interest at Columbia Falls has been at disposal sites which were operated and closed when Anaconda/ARCO owned this facility.

We at Columbia Falls were recently contacted by Mr. Robert Henry, of Ecology and Environment, Inc., a consulting firm from Denver working on Superfund matters for Region VIII EPA, requesting more information on our waste streams prior to their "sampling the plant". This is the same firm that with Tom Harris, of the EPA Helena, Montana office, visited us in December 1987.

We were informed that the Site Investigation will be conducted sometime this summer. It will involve sending a team here for one to two weeks to conduct a sampling operation. We do not yet know the specifics of the sampling program.

Since we have dealt with Mr. John R. Lucas on environmental matters, we have asked Mr. Henry and Mr. Harris to contact ARCO through Mr. Lucas. If ARCO wishes to contact Mr. Henry or Mr. Harris, their phone numbers are (303)757-4984 (Denver) and (406)449-5414 (Helena) respectively.

If ARCO requests further information, please don't hesitate to call us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "T. F. Payne".

T. F. Payne  
Technical Manager

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